

## BUILDING A MORE PEACEFUL AND PROSPEROUS WORLD

Moqah Foundation (MF) does not build schools or vocational facilities, they invests in human capacity. By paying teachers and trainers a fair wage, providing teacher training, operational support, and renting inexpensive existing buildings, MF can focus on reducing illiteracy, and providing experiential learning opportunities in multidisciplinary subjects that foster critical thinking and empowerment. All programs are run with dedicated and qualified local staff. MF currently has two Schools in the Punjab and only operates in communities in which they are invited with acceptance of local elders. In the primary schools boys are not allowed to enroll unless their sisters are enrolled first. Vocational training is conducted with women who have the support of their fathers, brothers, and/or husbands to ensure buy-in and local support. MF works with several local partners and relies on the support of individuals and organizations in the communities where they work.

## MISSION:

To provide quality education for both primary schools and vocational training throughout Pakistan.

## WHY?

In Pakistan 74% of 180 million people live on less than \$2/day Over 17 million children are not in school Female literacy is 37%

## PROGRAMS PROJECT STRATEGY & RESULTS

**Primary Education:** MF provides free schooling to youth who otherwise would not have access. Each year more parents/youth wish to enroll in MF schools than the organization can accommodate. Teachers are creative and open to learning current best practice teaching strategies.

**Global Kid Connect:** A modern day pen pal program allows classrooms in Pakistan and the U.S. to use technology to correspond meaningfully over several months through letters, photos and video exploring issues of culture, diversity, stereotypes, leadership and peace. Many students are surprised to learn just how similar they are. **Vocational training:** Facilitated by a master trainer and available throughout Pakistan, participants learn financial skills in money management, budgeting, banking, credit, and how to create a business plan. Group learning allows illiterate women to participate and network with one another so that they can

- 1,456 SCHOLARSHIPS TO UNDERSERVED YOUTH
- 3,062 WOMEN HAVE
  GRADUATED VOCATIONAL
  TRAINING PROGRAM
- 524 PARTICIPANTS IN EXCHANGE PROGRAM

continue to support each other in their entrepreneurial endeavors. We actively seek mentors to also support.

Many women in Pakistan possess marketable skills, however, isolation and lack of market access present challenges to enterprise development. Under the direction of our partner MDF and its for-profit affiliate, Peace of the Action, women are connected with higher-end markets for a constant flow of work with higher profit margins. POTA directs a portion of proceeds to MF to support ongoing education. This sustainable business model allows for ongoing training necessary to lift communities out of poverty.



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